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Brooklyn's population is estimated by the health department to be 805,855.

Paris is said to be full to overflowing with ladies from all parts of the world seeking the latest fashions.

It is estimated that in England one man in 500 gets a college education, and in this country one in every 200.

The richest widow in this country, if not in the world, is Mrs. Moses Taylor, whose fortune is estimated at \$40,000,000. She lives in New York, Long Branch and several other places, as the mood strikes her.

King Leopold of Belgium has shown himself possessed of almost as great a craze for building as Mme. de Pompadour, and many new buildings at Ostend and elsewhere are tasteful monuments to his love for improvement.

It seems that there is no legal provision for punishing Congressmen who permit their franks to be used for campaign purposes. The law granting privilege assumes that all Congressmen are honorable gentlemen. What a funny mistake.—New York World, Den.

Princess Beatrice, it is again rumored, is to be created a duchess in her own right with succession to her eldest child. A proposal to create Prince Henry of Battenberg a peer would meet with such strong disapproval that neither Queen Victoria nor her Premier would be likely to suggest it.

The first school census taken in Georgia since 1882 has just been completed. It gives the total number of children of school age as 560,281, against 508,722 in 1882 and shows that in the country districts the boys outnumber the girls, while in the cities and towns the girls preeminate.

Denver, Col., will soon have one of the finest masonic temples in the West costing not far from \$250,000. It will be seven stories high with a frontage 125 feet and a depth of 100 feet. Every girder and beam through the building will be of iron, not even a wooden step or staircase being used.

We shall have an unusually merry Thanksgiving this year. The festive turkey will be in greater demand than ever, and a grateful nation will read Mr. Cleveland's proclamation with the joyous anticipation of four years more of honest government and business prosperity. P. S.—The insinuation in the above remark about Mr. Cleveland is based on facts which are a yard wide and all wool.—New York Herald, Ind.

As the prospects for defeating Mr. Cleveland grows small it is noticeable that the New York Tribune and other Blaine organs begin to withdraw their champion and push poor Mr. Harrison to the foreground. If there should be a Republican triumph it would be a Blaine victory; but a Republican reverse would be a Harrison defeat.—Philadelphia Record, Ind.

There was a circus at Chestertown, Md., one day last week, and with it were seven elephants. Their car was run alongside a locomotive. One of the elephants put his trunk out through a crevice in the car, reached over the tender of the locomotive, lifted the lid of the water tank, and helped himself. The other six elephants did the same, and in a short time the tank was dry. The train hands did not see the performance, and only when the engineer tried to start his engine did he find that the water was gone.

The organ in St. Paul's Chapel, Broadway and Fulton street, New York City, is now operated by an electrical apparatus which supplies the place of the man who used to pump wind into the pipes. This is said to be the only organ so supplied. By twisting a button at the right of the keyboard the current, which is supplied by the Edison Company, is turned on. The great advantage of the new system is that in playing heavy pieces there is no chance of the organist getting ahead of the pump, which sometimes causes bad brakes.

The boom which was started in Jerusalem still appears, says the New York Tribune, to hold its own. Several handsome public buildings have been erected on Mount Zion. The Rothschild Hospital for Jews on a neighboring hill is a striking building. A girls' school has been built by Italians, and a stately building for Russian pilgrims is now in course of erection. Similar buildings for German, French and Italian pilgrims are already erected. On the top of the Mount of Olives the Russians have built an ugly tower with the sole object of seeing the Mediterranean and Dead seas from its top; but their church in Gethsemane make up in beauty for the ugliness of the tower. A Company of German Protestants, calling themselves "The Friends of the Temple," which has been in existence for many years, is now to take definite steps for the restoration of the ancient Temple.

A resident of Shepard's-bush, Eng., dispatched from there last June two post cards around the world, one on the 6th of that month to Vancouver via the Canadian Packet and Transatlantic route, and the other two days later to Hong Kong via Brindisi and the Suez Canal, with the request that they might be redirected to the original sender in London, the first via Yokohama, Hong Kong, etc., and the other via San Francisco and New York, which was done. Consequently one traveled eastward and the other westward, the object being to ascertain the quicker mail route around the world. The result has been that the eastward card returned and was delivered at Shepard's-bush on Aug. 17, after a passage of seventy days, while the other, or westward card, was not received in London until Sept. 17, after 103 days' journey. The distance that each card traveled is estimated at 22,100 miles.

A wonderful device has just been invented by Mr. Steffens' patent is for a device for sending a camera up above the earth about 2000 feet by means of little balloons, there steadying and focusing them and making an exposure on the earth's surface by means of an electric wire. According to the plans forty-eight exposures can be made at each ascension, the sensitized paper evolving upon a cylinder, and it is estimated that at an elevation of 2000 feet a region of seventy-five miles in diameter can be photographed with satisfactory clearness.

It may be that Lord Sackville's original intention was to promote Mr. Cleveland's political interest on the sly. If that is the case, every Democrat has peculiar reason to deplore the British Minister's volunteer essay in offensive partisanship, just as every American citizen has cause for indignation at his unwarranted interference in our domestic politics. He should have his passports, and he should go.—New York Sun, Ind.

It is said that when Dom Pedro, the Brazilian Emperor, crosses the Atlantic he does not allow any difference to be made between him and other passengers dining at the captain's table, and gives express orders that he and his party are not to be fed like any one else, and no invidious distinctions to be made in their favor. The ladies cabin is given up to the Empress and two gentlemen's cabins are knocked into one for the Emperor, and that is all.

Congressman Rice of Minnesota, says that 90 per cent of the democrats and 70 per cent of the Republicans of that State are in favor of a low tariff. He thinks there is a probability of the election of Mr. Wilson, the Democratic candidate for Governor.

Parties should have letter and mail boxes put up at their houses and offices at once. Orders should be left for them at H. E. Ambold's gun store and they will be promptly executed.

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A TEMPLE TO BUDDHA.

IT WAS RECENTLY OPENED IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

And There the Religion of the Hindus is Submitted with Oriental Elites—It is in Charge of Canadians and Not Children of the East.

A temple to Buddha has actually been opened in New York city, and worship according to the tenets of the Indian Buddhists is being performed at certain times of the month, though great secrecy is maintained about the ceremonies as yet. Of course, everybody knows that the Chinese residents have established Joss houses here, in which they worship after their particular forms, which are after a fashion Buddhistic. This, however, is not Buddhism according to the belief of India. Now there is a Buddhist temple of the real Indian kind. It is not a great building, such as the devotees of this faith have long intended to build on Fifth avenue, but it is none the less a temple, duly consecrated.

It is an inner room in the office building at 115 and 117 Nassau street, on the fourth floor, and the entrance to it is through another office, in which careful guard is kept, that no unauthorized stranger shall intrude. Opposite the door is a tiny image of Buddha, enshrined on a shelf, draped in Oriental fashion. Incense pots and Chinese joss sticks burn before him, not continually, but whenever the priest and any of the faithful are present. Above the image is blazoned the sacred word Ohm. It is written in the original Sanscrit, as shown in the cut.

Around the walls are votive shields, some twenty-five in number, one from each of the branches of the Theosophical Society of the United States from New York to Nebraska and California. On each is engraved the sacred word chosen by the branch, such as Dharma, Ishwara, Arjuna, Nirvana and the like. Also hanging on the walls are various weird paintings, drawings and photographs of Indians, Egyptians and other mythological scenes. One of these is declared to have been painted with magical paint by Mr. William Q. Judge, the only New Yorker who has been admitted to the Buddhist church by the high prelate thereof, who lives on the top, or near it, of Adam's Peak, in Ceylon. The picture is a copy of some very ancient Egyptian masterpiece of art, and is principally remarkable for having been made with the magic paint.

Mme. Blavatsky, it is said, pulled it out of a bare old stone wall with her fingers. On a table at one side of the room, together with some sacred literature, such as the Bhagvat Gita in Sanskrit and in English translation, lies a magic crystal on a handsomely painted and embroidered mat. It is a rough piece of rock crystal with one facet highly polished, and in it devotees see wonderful visions. Not only do they receive communications from the Mahatmas, but the officers of the Theosophical society are permitted to use the crystal at certain times in each month to get reports of the condition of the various branches of the society, and they declare that they do actually receive such reports.

To one side of the brooding god who watches the worship hangs a Hindoo representation in brass bas relief of Brahma in his grand creative work, holding up on the one hand a curtain picturing all material things, and emanating on the other side all the glory of spiritual rays.



THE NEW YORK BUDDHA.

Over all watches Buddha, and it is a fact that there is a constant stream of real live Buddhists visiting the place. Hindoo messengers, two or three, from the ecclesiastical organization in India, have already been there on business, though the temple was consecrated only about two months ago. It is believed, by those who started the movement, that a building of some pretensions will soon be erected and public worship after the Buddhist fashion will be among the prominent attractions of the metropolis.

Capt. Benjamin Gleadell.

Eighteen years ago the steamer Cella was engaged in laying a cable in the China sea. Her commander was Capt. Benjamin Gleadell, who was recently found dead in the chart room of his ship, the Germanic, during a voyage from Liverpool to New York. Capt. Gleadell was 59 years old at the time of his death. He was born in Lincoln, England, and went to sea when he was a mere lad. The Cella was his first command, and remained in his charge for three years, when he entered the employ of the White Star company as captain of the Germanic, which position he filled with rare ability until his death.

There are probably but few sea captains who are as genuinely loved and respected as was Capt. Gleadell, and there are probably few men who as well deserve love and respect as he did. More than 100 people owed to Capt. Gleadell a friendship as strong as the deepest human gratitude could make it, for he had saved their lives. They must have formed for the old captain a group of friends worth having indeed.

Capt. Gleadell was, it is said, more humane toward his men than most sea captains, and in many other ways made himself worthy of his honorable calling. His death caused genuine regret throughout marine circles, as well as among the many people who had learned to love the jolly old sailor as passengers on his ship.



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